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PATENT APPLICATION
10/685,726

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Craig H. Rowland
Serial No.: 10/685,726
Filed: October 15, 2003
Group No.: 2131
Examiner: Aravind K. Moorthy
Notice of Allowance Mailed: January 12, 2009
Confirmation No.: 5392
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REDUCING THE FALSE
ALARM RATE OF NETWORK INTRUSION DETECTION

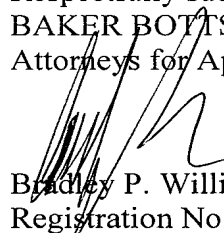
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-21. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, Applicant respectfully issues a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, Applicant does not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations.

Respectfully submitted,
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